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# SUPREME WAR COUNCIL NEAR ENTIRE ACCORD; WILSON WITHHOLDS LATEST GERMAN NOTE; KAISER WILLING TO RESIGN 'AT RIGHT TIME'

# CAMDEN'S SHIP PLANT ALSO IS **CUT BY BOARD**

Troop Transports That Cannot Be Delivered in 1919 Will Be Abandoned.

NEED CARGO CARRIERS

Emergency Corporation Estimates Construction for 1918 AMERICANS WIN at 3,200,000 Tons.

Special Desputch to THE SUN

WASHINGTON, Oct. 30 .- Plans for the extension of the New York Shipbuilding Company's plant at Camden, N. J., authorized last summer, have been abridged by the Shipping Board. Steps in this direction already have been taken by the Emergency Fleet Corpo-

Announcement to this effect was made to-day in connection with an official explanation of the cancelling of the contract of the Bethlehem Steel Company at Alameda, Cal., issued today as a result of the exclusive publication of the story in THE SUN this

It also developed to-day through a statement regarded as official that the Shipping Board is able definitely to estimate the total of ship construction for the year 1918. The output of the vards working for the Shipping Board. it was said, would be approximately \$ 200,000 tons. This includes only vessels completed and in service and not those that will be ready for service as soon as equipped. This latter tonnage will be exceptionally large, as the gap between vessels launched and vessels placed in service has been widening month by month.

### Programme for 1919.

The programme of the Shipping Board for concentration of efforts in shipbuildng on vessels to be placed in service in 1919 is clearly shown in the following official statement in regard to the Ala-

"Last April the military programme was so materially enlarged that the gency Fleet Corporation for the construcon of ninety-four transports totalling over 1,100,000 deadweight tons. The copship programme which the Emergency Fleet Corporation had at that early to-day and attacked various enme undertaken was but a little more han half of the total tonnage. A careful survey was made immediately in order to determine which of the old yards could undertake additional con- night, bombing the region of Montfautruction of this type of ship. It was ealized, of course, that these fast and omplicated vessels could be constructed elling Circus" also appeared at differaly under experienced management, and the choice of yards necessarily was conined, therefore, to those which had atready built vessels of a smaller type.

The Fore River Yard, the yard of the Cramp Ship and Engine Building Company, and the yard of the Newport News Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Company were so completely loaded up with navy work that they were unavailable or the execution of this additional pro gramme. It was decided, therefore, that onstruction should be undertaken by the New York Shipbuilding Company, the Bethlehem Shipbuilding Company at sparrow Point, Md., and a new plant to LULL IN FIGHTING e constructed adjacent to the Bethle sem Shipbuilding yard at Alameda, Cal.

### Reason for Changed Plan.

The Sparrows Point yard already has been enlarged for the purpose of underaking the construction of vessels of arger type and enlargements at the yard the New York Shipbuilding Company, vere authorized so that this plant might ndertake a portion at least of the addi-

"The new yard at Alameda was to be the Allies are said to have improved their created wholly out of Government funds, lines as a result of some minor outpost be owned by the Emergency Fleet Corporation and to be turned over for peration to the Bethlehem Shipbuilding ompany acting as the superintendent the Fleet Corporation. Contracts tere let for the construction of the yard and work begun early in July, Devery of the ships from the new yard

were expected to begin in 1920. Since July, however, the plans for military campaign abroad have been so intensified that it was realized that ships which could not be produced during the year 1919 would be of any orticular value in the prosecution of t .. war programme.

### 'argo Vessels Mostly Needed.

was also realized that the construction of the yards at Alameda temorarily at least might reduce the output of the several large producing yards in that district, and it was thought best after a conference between Mr. Hurley and the Director-General that the work on the Liberty plant, as it was called to the Liberty plant, as it was called bound stop and that all contracts confidence in the connection therewith should be the connection there is the connection that the connection there is the connection there is the connection that the connection there is the connection there is the connection that the connection that the connection there is the connection that the connec after a conference between Mr. Hurley and the Director-General that the work uded in connection therewith should be assigned or cancelled. Orders to this feet were issued by Director-General hwap and the Fleet Corporation is ongaged in carrying out the order.

Advice to those who want to sell their LIBERTY BONDS—Don't.
Advice to these who must sell—Go to John Muir & Co., 61 B'way.—Ade.

#### U. S. Dead Cement Race, Says Viscount French

BELFAST, Oct. 30 .- Viscount French, Lord Lieutenant and Governor-General of Ireland, speaking to-day at a luncheon given by the Lord Mayor, said that the blood sacrifices of the American Army had for all time cemented the Anglo-Saxon na-

"Those immortal heroes who sleep side by side on the battle-fields of France," he declared, "have joined forever with indis-soluble bonds the future of our great race that will bring a last-ing peace to a troubled world."

# SERIES OF HILLS

They Dominate Wide Region of Country by Occupation of Aincreville.

ARTILLERY FIRE GROWS

East of the Meuse Enemy Resists Every Effort to Advance U. S. Lines.

By the Associated Press

WITH THE AMERICAN FORCES NORTHwest or Verdun, Oct. 30.—Gen. Per-ching's forces improved to-day their positions in the region of Grand Pre. Belle Joyeuse Farm is now virtually within the American lines. By the occupation of Aincreville the

Americans have brought within their lines a series of hills and natural positions dominating the country for miles Amereville was taken with but little opposition, the resistance being princi-pally from machine gurls.

East of the River Meuse there was considerable activity to-day, but there was no material change in the line. The Germans desperately resisted attempts to drive them from Hill 360.

Enemy artillery activity east of the River Meuse decreased this evening but the Germans continued to throw gas into different parts of the line and to lages have been liberated.

at the positions behind the German Department called on the Emer- lines. Their targets included crossroads reported to be encamped.

Taking advantage of a clear day emy military objectives west of the

The Germans showed more than ordinary activity in the air on Tuesday con, Cuisy and other places. The German squadron known as the "Trav were painted in bright colors. A num-ber of combats resulted and several German machines were brought down

The artillery attached to the Second American Division, which bore the brunt of the recent severe fighting in the Champagne and captured Etlenne consisted of the Fifteenth, Sev cable despatch dated October 9 the Sixteenth Regiment instead of the

# ON FRENCH FRONT

British Activities Come Almost to a Halt.

LONDON, Oct. 30 -A marked luli has failen upon the battle front in northern France, particularly on the British sec-tor south of Valenciennes, where no progress worth mention has been made for several days. North of Valenciennes

affairs. In the Oise-Serre sector, east of Laon with the intention of enveloping tha town and forcing its evacuation by the Germans by that method rather than by a frontal attack. North of the town the French took Beaufort Farm and south of it, along the Peron River, they have progressed east as far as Monceau-le-Neuf. Between Banogne and Herpy

some prisoners were taken. Associated Press correspondent the part of Belgium just liberated the armies under command of King Albert has suffered little in comparison with other parts of the little kingdom and northern France. Western Flanders virtually is intact north of the Lys and east of the old battle line.

From the region of Nieuport to south

From the region of Nieuport to south of Ypres the stretch of ground and the

luxuriant farms and happy liberated West of the line which the British and Belgians held for four long years many villages and towns have been destroyed empty shell of tottering wails and I'er

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# U.S. REGIMENT CROSSES PIAVE IN AIDING DIAZ

Battle Extends From Brenta to Sea With Maximum Gain of Seven Miles.

CAPTIVES REACH 33,000

Italians Reported at the Livenza, While British Are Over the Monticano.

Paris, Oct. 30. - The great drive gainst the Austrians in northern Italy has spread over a front of sixty miles and is increasing in momentum the maximum advance to-day reaching seven miles at several points and averages perhaps three miles.

This maximum was attained b Italian troops in the mountainous region to the north, who penetrated north of Conegliano as far as Vittorio and by the British in the middle region, who reached and in some places crossed the Monticano River. A new Italian army has come into action under the Duke of Aosta in the region south of the British sector; this army crossed the Piave River east of Zenson and at San Dona di Piave, near the sea. Unconfirmed reports say that allied troops have reached the Li venza River, the first large stream

#### northeast of the Piave. Captives Beach 33,000.

In these operations 33,000 prisoners have been taken and several hundred guns. The Austrians, white fighting well in places, are making rather & feeble resistance as a whole and are beginning to show some signs of demoralization. Should this go much further it might develop into a rout and the clearing of all north Italy of the invaders as far as the Isonzo River. More than 100 towns and vil-

The American contingent, which yes The American artillery pounded away the Plave, has now crossed the river the Allies care to impose. and gone into action. It is the 332d Such complete surrender is of the

The Associated Press correspondent at American aerial bombers started out front says the American troops on this front are operating with the Tenth army, composed of British, Italians and exposes South German and Bavarian which brought forth his resignation. Americans, under Lieut.-Gen, the Earl of Cavan. This was the first army to begin operations by establishing a bridgehead across the Plave River at the and Silesian frontiers unsafe and says Island of Grave dt Papadopole

Charles G. Treat have crossed the Playe arms, may play an important part in River. The Italian Third Army has established there bridgeheads on the

The 332d Infantry is one of the National Army regiments formed from Pennsylvania and Ohio troops at Camp Sherman, Ohio. The regiment is commanded by Col. William Wallace. formed part of the Eighty-third Division.]

#### From Brenta to the Sea. The official Italian report made public

to-day in Rome says: Our offensive extended southward from the Middle Plave yesterday. A third army has now entered the struggie. On the front from the Brenta to the sea three-quarters of the Italian army are fighting in brotherly union with a gallant Prench division and the young and daring 332d American Infantry Regiment.

Between the Brenta and Playe Rivers the bitterness of the resistance and the aggressiveness of the enemy, supported by fish reserves, have for six days given the struggle particular

East of the Piave the enemy is yielding to our pressure and we are overcoming successive lines.

In the Grappa region yesterday our Fourth Army gained advantages in the region of Petirca and Cot dell' Orso. The Twelfth Army has reached the outskirts of the village of Quero, taken Seguistno and carried Monte Cesen.

The Eighth Army has occupied the defile of Follina and reached Vittorio. There is fighting north of Conegliano. The Tenth Army is beyond the Coneg-liano-Oderzo road. The Third Army has crossed the Piave to San Dona di

Fiave and east of Zenson.

The prisoners captured since Thursday number 802 officers and 32,198 Of guns several hundred have been taken. It has been impossible to calculate the number of machine guns and the quantity of material cap-

#### British Cross the Monticano. A report on the British operations is

The British Tenth Army has reached approximately Roucadelle, Ormelle, Fountainelle and the line of the Monti-cano River to Ramara. At some places we have crossed the Monticano.

The prisoners taken by the Tenth Army since the commencement of the operation amount to 11.902, including 345 officers. Of these the Pourtcenth British Corps captured 246 officers and 5.030 men of other ranks. The num ber of guns and the material captured

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# Allied Conferees Remove Differences; Wilson's Conditions May Be Modified

By the Associated Press.

PARIS, Oct. 30 .- The heads of the allied Governments and Col. E. M. House, special representative of the United States Government, with the military and naval advisers of the respective countries, continued their informal meetings

Differences of view, natural to the immensity of the interests involved, have arisen, but under friendly examination they have largely disappeared.

Although some points in President Wilson's conditions may require more complete definition an entire agreement is in immediate prospect.

The Supreme War Council will not meet formally until this full understanding has been reached.

# BOHEMIA UNDER KUEHLMANN TO RULE OF CZECHS BE PEACE ENVOY

Over Local Government Functions.

NEW ROUTE TO GERMANY HELD PORTFOLIO IN 1917 have come."

Forces to the Bavarian Frontier.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN Copyright, 1918; all rights reserved. London, Oct. 30 .- The physical disution in Prague, is now in the hands Germany's representatives at the peace of the Caech Government, whose na-

fonal committee has taken some the functions of local government. The imperial military forces in Croatia have rielded authority to the Croatian National Council.

plete internal disintegration. The armies Netherlands and Turkey. He became The Vienna Government faces con are in a critical position before the ailled attacks on the Italian front and there has been a hurrled announcement terday was reported in reserve back of of willingness to accept any terms

> reatest moment as affecting the Gertro-Hungarian territory, which would peace by negotiation was the frontiers to an advance of allied troops

### **PRAGUE GARRISON** JOINS REVOLUTION Armed Forces at Disposal of

Czechs. COPENHAGEN, Oct. 20.—The Czech National Committee took over the functions of the local government in Prague, the Bohemian capital, Monday, marking the final step in its successful

revolution there, according to a telegram from Berlin to the National Tidende. fidelity to the Czech state.

BASEL, Oct. 30 .- The authority of the Austrian monarchy now is only a name in Prague. Budapest newspapers re-port that Field Marshal Paul Kestranek, Commander in Chief in the littee Monday.

the National Czech Committee to insure public administration, says a despatch a public administration, says a despatch received here to-day from Prague. The present Bohemian officials will remain provisionally, but the Governor, Count von Coudenhove, has been placed on unlimited leave at his own demand. of the Czecho-Slovak government in

rmation of a Hungarian Cabinet, ac-rding to a despatch from Budapest, ount Karolyi, president of the Hungarian Independent party, will not enter the new Ministry, it is said, but will support it in the National Assembly.

### SAYS KRASNOFF SLEW 25,000. Connack Leader Accused of Butch-

LONDON, Oct. 29.—During the rule of dication would have produced easter terms for an armistice the newspaper

ery During His Rule.

National Committee Takes Berlin Journal Says Ex-Foreign Secretary Will Sit in Conference.

Surrender Will Admit Allied Was Ousted by Pan-Germans

When He Said Teuton Army

Couldn't Win.

has been an important figure in the

fall from power was regarded as a victory for the pan-Germans, who opposed

### Austria's defect UNION OF GERMANS tion has made the Bayarian, Saxon NOW BEING AGITATED American troops under Major-Gen, that the German nation, even without Berlin 'Press . Admits Utter Helplessness of Austria.

AMSTERDAM, Oct. 30 .- The principal received here are the resignation of Gen. Ludendorff, First Quartermaster-General, and Austria's activity for a separate

Austria's action was received with some signs of resentment, but at the same time with a certain sense of relief, as clearing the situation and leaving Germany free to act in her own interest In this connection there are same inti-mations in the newspapers of a move-ment for joining the Austria Germans with Germany. For instante, Germania. The Austrian imperial symbols were moved from various buildings and immany henceforth will be able to drop consideration for her allies and champerial proclamations tern down. The consideration for her allies and cham-city officials have taken an eath of pion more decisively than hitherto her

kinsmen in Austria.

The Boersen Courier agrees that Ger-Monday night the General commanding the Prague garrison and his staff placed the entire armed forces in the city at the disposal of the Czetch Nacity at the disposal committee. drassy had no alternative and says it is

the faith," says the Tages Zeitung, "we must remain true to ourselves. We still have the strength to stand alone." Prague district, and Field Marshal

Eduard Zanantoni handed over all the
military authority to the Czech coming only on behalf of the dynasty and says it will be no wonder if the entire world believes "the Austrian Government wants to purchase a merciful peace with a kick at a dying lion." The news paper adds that Germany and German Austria will not perish.

The Frankfort Zeitung says that a the Austro-Hungarian Government now exists only on paper the recognition of the Czecho-Slovaks and South Slavs Count Andrassy, the Austro-Hun-arian Foreign Minister, has entered ato diplomatic relations with members to diplomatic relations with members Austria assert its rights as against the Creeke Slovak government in possesses no further significance, but that it is imperative that German Paris, according to the Hungarian newspaper Norody Listy.

Count Hadik, former Hungarian Food
Trails the public mental poise of GerCount Hadik, former Hungarian Food
Trails the public mental poise of GerTrails according to the Hungarian newspaper Norody Listy.

many unfavorably to that of France, which it says never lost courage "even when the enemy was at the gates of the capital, while the German people. instead of smiting their bosoms for their own sins, all are blaming each other The Austrian censor permitted the Vienna Arbiter Zeitung to publish a leading editorial article violently de-nouncing the "puny" German Kaiser, "who preferred to see bitter humiliation inflicted on his people rather than

rmer member of the staff of Alexander adds:

\*\*Theremsky in the Don region, 25,000 persons have been shot, according to a abdicate before being branded by the Russian wireless despatch received here whole world as the man who caused to-night.

# WILHELM TO GO, HOHENZOLLERNS STAY, IS BELIEF

Emperor Says He Would Abdicate in "Interest of Germany."

FULL SURRENDER NEAR

English Government Circles Expect the Teutons to Lay Down Arms.

AMSTERDAM, Oct. 30.- "The German people shall be the freest people in the world."

This declaration was made by Emperor William in addressing the new State Secretary October 21, according to a Berlin despatch printed in the Rheinische Westfaelische Zeitung of

"If the moment comes when the

interests of Germany demand it I should abdicate without hesitation. But the moment does not seem to Emperor William is quoted as having said this in an address to a

number of members of the German Reichstag, according to advices from The Emperor said the people must not think he had decided to remain

on the throne at all costs. It is generally believed in Berlin Lokal Anseiger, a copy of which has been received here, says Dr. Richard that if the Emperor abdicates it will solution of Austria-Hungary has be-von Kuehlmann, former German Secre-gun. Bohemia, as a result of the revo-tary of Foreign Affairs, will be one of eldest son of the German Crown eldest son of the German Crown

> Special Cable Despatch to Tan Sex. Copyright, 1918; all rights reserved. LONDON, Oct. 30,-The usually wel appointment as Foreign Secretary he informed correspondent of the Daily held the rank of Ambassador to the News at The Hague telegraphs that it the Kaiser's abdication is being faced Athens to the Matin says the "sole reeign Secretary in July of this year. His by all German political parties and by maining Turkish army" has been conevery class community in Germany,

"Though no decision has been taken." he says, "the Kaiser is at this moment moving toward the step that man military situation, inasmuch as Foreign Secretary, in which he declared the reople. Whether the entire Howould satisfy the crowning desire Italian army headquarters on the Plave the allied conditions will undoubtedly that it was impossible for Germany to henzollern family will be ruled out is heavily engaged by the British Tuesday tion. The data will probably be sent front says the American troops on this include freedom of transit across Australia arms, and a military victory and suggested a more transit across Australia arms, and the allied conditions will undoubtedly that it was impossible for Germany to henzollern family will be ruled out is heavily engaged by the British Tuesday to henzollern family will be ruled out is heavily engaged by the British Tuesday to henzollern family will be ruled out is heavily engaged by the British Tuesday to henzollern family will be ruled out is heavily engaged by the British Tuesday to henzollern family will be ruled out is heavily engaged by the British Tuesday to henzollern family will be ruled out is heavily engaged by the British Tuesday to henzollern family will be ruled out is heavily engaged by the British Tuesday to henzollern family will be ruled out is heavily engaged by the British Tuesday to henzollern family will be ruled out is heavily engaged by the British Tuesday to henzollern family will be ruled out is heavily engaged by the British Tuesday to henzollern family will be ruled out is heavily engaged by the British Tuesday to henzollern family will be ruled out is heavily engaged by the British Tuesday to henzollern family will be ruled out is heavily engaged by the British Tuesday to henzollern family will be ruled out is heavily engaged by the British Tuesday to henzollern family will be ruled out is heavily engaged by the British Tuesday to henzollern family will be ruled out is heavily engaged by the British Tuesday to henzollern family will be ruled out is heavily engaged by the British Tuesday to henzollern family will be ruled out is heavily engaged by the British Tuesday to henzollern family will be ruled out is heavily engaged by the British Tuesday to henzollern family will be ruled climax uncertain. My information inclines to north of Kaleh Sherghat, the official to Versailles without comment. the belief that this will not be the report on the Mesopotamian operations case. Even the Kalser may remain. The statement reads: but the stage is all set for his going. The people will not protest, despite the

> gans. "The attitude of Bavaria, with its long tradition of jealous independence. and the movement in favor of a South German federation are developments opic of comment in German newspapers to be watched. Taken in connection with what is happening in Austria they may presage new constellations which may transform much more than the political geography of Europe."

conjurations of the Pan-German or

## TEUTONS WILL QUIT. **ENGLISH PREDICT**

Bankruptcy of Military Power Urged by British People.

Special Cable Despatch to Tan Syn and the Copyright, 1918; all rights reserved LONDON, Oct. 30 .- I am assured that lovernment circles expect Germany to surrender. It must be presumed this expectation is based on better informa ion than the average man has, for it BIG ALLIED LEADERS is safe to say the average man canno "If our allies have shamefully broken yet bring himself to believe the Ger-e faith," says the Tages Zeitung, "we man army is ready to lay down its arms upon such terms as the Allies are ex- Premiers and Military Chiefs

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### Twas His Lucky Day; He Got "Sun" Smokes

DRIVATE UDKO SHATTON wrote a card on October 10 to Josephine Daskam Bacon: "Dear Patriot: A carton of cigarettes I received from you on the day the American press in France announced that the Central Powers asked for peace. It's my lucky day-good news about war, a lot of mail and good old American cigarettes.' page 7 may be read other cards nailed in October by grateful soldiers.

Are the faithful donors awake to the fact that the fund has started on the half million trail about \$100,000 is needed now to start over the makings of amount is reasonable but the time is short.

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### Austria May Appeal to Italy for an Armistice

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LONDON, Oct. 31 .- There is reason to believe that Count Andrassy, the Austro-Hungarian Premier, has authorized direct overtures for an armistice with the Italian commanders in the field with a view to an immediate cessation of hostilities.

The British Legation and the French Embassy in Switzerland on Friday referred Turkey's re-quest for an armistice to the military authorities at Madros.

TURKS MAY OPEN

Fleet to Enter for Peace

Negotiations.

British Again Punish Ottoman

Troops in Mesopotamia and

Capture 1,000.

AMSTERDAM, Oct. 30 .- According to

to enter the Dardanelles. Troops are

not to be landed, it is said, with the

exception of a small detachment to

The Constantinople newspaper Ikdam

on Sunday printed a statement from a "competent source" that Turkey had be-

gun official peace negotiations with the

Entente, adding that delegates already

had left the Turkish capital. In other

quarters in Constantinople, however, it

is declared the negotiations are unoffi-

of the Gallipoli peninsula. The Tcha

talja positions are being prepared as the

says. The British captured 1,000 Turks.

ghat, joined the armored cars which

approached from the west and estab-lished themselves astride the Turkish communications with Mosul. Here they were heavily attacked by

evening they were reenforced by troops

from the eastern bank, which enabled them to restore the situation com-

western bank of the Tigris and after a long and difficult march attacked

and drove the Turks from their post

tions three miles south of Kaleh Sherghat and captured the village.

On Tuesday the pursuit continued

WARRINGTON, Oct. 30 .- Turkish troops

have begun the evacuation of Tabriz,

Persia, according to advices reaching

in Mesopotamia in their advance north-

Engage in Conferences.

Panis, Oct. 39 .- Col. E. M. House,

special representative of the United

States Government to the European Gov-

quarter of Paris on the left bank of the

Seine, not far from the French Ministry

of War. He has already had conversa-

tions of considerable length with Pre-

mier Clemenceau, Field Marshal Haig.

Viscount Milner, British Secretary of

State for War; William Graves Sharp,

American Ambassador to France; Pre-

mier Venizelos of Greece and Gen. Tas

ker H. Bliss, American representative to

The precise information in possession

of Col. House relative to the European

situation rather amazes statesmen on this side of the Atlantic. They had not

been aware that Col. House, as head of a bureau at Washington, has been re-ceiving from many sources for eight

onths the results of original study of

nditions in every belligerent country

The following Ministers and military and naval chiefs of the Allies are now in Paris: Premier Lloyd George, For-

er, Field Marshal Haig, Sir

Gåddes, Admiral Wemyss and Gen. Wil-

kon of Great Britain, Admiral Benson and Vice-Admiral Sime of the United States, Premier Orlando, Vice-Admiral

Thaon di Revel and Foreign Minister

ign Minister Balfour, War Sec

the Supreme War Council.

n Europe.

**GATHER IN PARIS** 

the State Department to-day.

The same day we advanced up the

to drive them off the road.

Turks on Monday and, though right flank had to withdraw, they

On Saturday evening our cavalry

second line of defence for

supervise the demobilization of the Otto-

### Teuton Claim of Basic Reforms.

SITUATION IS UNCHANGED

Berlin's Efforts to Spread

Propaganda Here Cut Off

LONG WINDED PAPER

It Is Special Plea to Bolster

by Government.

Bolshevist Foreign Minister Suggests Evacuation of North Russia.

DARDANELLES Special Despatch to THE SUN. WASHINGTON, Oct. 30. - Cutting short Germany's efforts to spread propaganda here by way of diplo-Said to Have Invited Allied matic exchanges the United States Government decided to-day to withhold from publication the latest note, or memorandum, which was handed to Secretary of State Lansing by Frederick Oederlin, the Swiss

TO WATCH ARMY DISBAND Charge d'Affaires. The German memorandum was designed to supplement the last German communication, saying that armistice proposals were awaited by reciting in detail alleged Government changes in Germany's political makeup. It is a special plea, pretending to prove Germany's case by long winded argu-Constantinople despatch reports are ments and statements which have current that Turkey under the peace nothing behind them except the Garnegotiations has invited the allied fleet man Government's word, which is naturally not accepted here without

suspicion. It is probable that if President Wilson were alone concerned be would give the German data to the public for what it is worth officials here say. But as the allied Governments as well as the United States are now officially involved in the peace and armistice pegotiations the Government here is resolved not to permit Germany to conduct a campaign of propaganda without the sanction of Great Britain, France

## and Italy.

Situation Not Changed. The important point in connection with this latest German communicaion was the authoritative statement LONDON, Oct. 30 .- The Turks were that it in no way changed the situa-

> The centre of interest in the situation remains at Versailles, where the Supreme War Council informally is taking up questions involved in the armistice and peace terms to be communicated to the German Government.

Secretary Lansing received to-day from the Swedish Minister the personal note addressed to him by the Government of Austria. This communication, which pleads for an armistice and peace, is virtually identical in purport with the latest note sent by Austria to President Wilson Mr. Lansing declined to say what he would do with the note addressed to him or in what form it might be an-

### Element of Comedy.

With the increasing number of peace notes reaching here there was an ele ment of comedy injected into the situation when Cabinet members asked one another if they had been spared from receiving these communications, turks are menaced by the British forces

This aspect of the day's developments was accentuated later when it became known that Tchitcherin the Bolshevik Foreign Minister, had addressed a note to President Wilson under date of October 24 accepting the terms of the armistice calling for evacuation of invaded territory and asking the United States when it would withdraw its troops from Murman, Archangel and Siberia. The

Russian note has not come officially. An early press bulletin from Paris indicated that strict censorship was holding up all the news pertaining to developments at the Versailles conference. In some quarters this lack of news was attributed more to cable congestion owing to the great volume of official messages going back and forth from

Washington to Versailles. Later when the bars appeared to be somewhat let down the initial reports were interpreted here to mean that th representatives at Versailles were finding agreement more difficult on some points than had been expected. The rebegin until a basis of agreement had been reached and that so far interpretation of the meaning of President Wilson's fourteen points in his speech of January 8 last had necessitated copious

#### exchanges. Premiers Seek Explanations.

It is assumed by diplomats here that more definitely what some of these terms mean before adhering to them For that reason the exchanges between the President and the Premiers through the intermediary of Col. House are be-lieved to concern the President's own